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In re application of: Franco et al. Group No: Serial No.: 0 / Examiner: little of Application: Treatment for the Reduction of Sulphur in Catalytic Gasoline and in Intermediate Crude Distillates, with Silica Gel Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE As assignee of record of the entire interest of the above identified application, I hereby appoint the Medlen & Carroll, LLP to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, a firm comprised of:: Virginia S. Medlen 32,050; Peter G. Carroll 32,837; Kamrin T. MacKnight 38,230; David A. Casimir 42,395; Maha A. Hamdan 43,655; J. Mitchell Jones 44,174; David J. Wilson 45,225; and, Jason R. Bond 45,439.

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: Treatment for the Reduction of Sulphur in Catalytic Gasoline and in

Intermediate Crude Distillates, With Silica Gel,

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| Prior Foreig   | n Application(s)   |  | Priority Claimed  |
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